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Applicant : Mark D. Conover

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Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is a full and complete response to an Examiner's Action dated June 8, 2001, Paper no. 5.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established for this application by a previously submitted verified statement.

Applicant believes that no additional fee is required for filing the amendment set forth in the accompanying response because the amendment does not increase the number of independent claims, or the total number of claims pending in the application.

Applicant hereby petitions for a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the Examiner's Action, and submits a check which includes in the amount of \$55.00 in payment of the small entity fee for a one (1) month extension. If any additional extension of time is required to make this response timely, then

pursuant to the relevant provision of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby conditionally petitions for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely.

If any additional fee is due for filing this response, the Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any surplus in the enclosed fee to Deposit Account no. 19-0735. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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